

Traffic Advisory

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Macdonald Bridge overnight closure to replace approach spans bearings this weekend

(Dartmouth, NS) - Halifax Harbour Bridges (HHB) advises motorists that the Macdonald Bridge will be closed the following times to replace the third and final set of bearings:

Friday, July 24:	7pm to 7am (bridge normally opens at 5:30am)
Saturday, July 25:	7pm to 5:30am
Saturday, August 8:	10pm to 1am

The closures are required to replace two bearings on one of the bridge piers of the Macdonald Bridge, located on the approach span in Dartmouth. The bearings, original to when the bridge opened in 1955, were identified as needing to be replaced based on present condition and performance.

This project is not related to the Big Lift and can't be co-ordinated with the work of the Big Lift. "To replace the bearing there can't be any vehicular traffic movement on the Dartmouth approach to the bridge," explains Ahsan Chowdhury, HHB bridge engineer.



Above are photos of an existing bearing to be replaced.

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